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CITY DIRECTORY.

CHURCHES.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH—Corner North Water and William streets. W. R. Goodwin, pastor. Preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sabbath-school, 3 p. m

STAPP'S CHAPEL (Methodist)—Corner Eldorado and Franklin streets. W. ———, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sabbath-school, 2 p. m.

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GERMAN METHODIST—W. Eldorado, between Church and Edward. ——, pastor. Preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sabbath-school at 9 a. m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—West Prairie, between Main and Church, W. H. Prestley pastor. Preaching 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p m Sabbath-school at 2 p. m.

AFRICAN M. E CHURCH—Cemetery street near Main. J. B Lawson, pastor. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Preaching at 7 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—Corner of Water and William sts. W. H. Bawson, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7.00 p. m. Sabbath school a 9 a. m.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH—North Water, between North and Eldorado W. H. Moore, rector. Holy communion, 7 a m Sunday-school, :30 a. m. Morning prayer at 11. Evening prayer, 7:00.

EPISCOPAL HOUSE OF PRAYER—Sunday-school at 2 p m. Evening prayer at 3:30.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH—Corner N. Main and North sts. N. S. Haynes, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7.00 p. m. Sabbath-school, 2:30 p. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH—Corner E. North an Jackson sts Father P. J. Macken. Service 8:00 and 10:30 a. m. Sunday-school, 2:00 p. m Vespers, 3:00 p. m.

GERMAN CATHOLIC—Clay st. east of Webster, Father La bert. Services 8:30 and 10 30 a. m. Sunday school, 2.30 Vespers, 7:00 p. m.

CHURCH OF GOD—Corner Water and Cerro Gordo I. S Richmond, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a m. and 7.00 p. m. Sabbath-school, 2:30 p. m.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH—Prairie street, opposite post office. ——— Headle, pastor. Preaching at 10 30 a m and 7:00 p m. Sunday school, 11.30 a m.

Y. M. C. A.—Rooms, 26 Merchant street. Daily prayer meeting at 11 30; regular prayer meeting, Tuesday evening; Sunday prayer meeting at 3:30; Railroad meeting at 5:00 E P Morehouse, President; I J Davis, Gen. Secretary.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

MASONIC.

BEAUMANOIR COMMANDERY, NO. 9, Knights Templar—Hall, third floor No. 19 N Water street. Meets third Thursday of each month. J R Gorin, E Com.

MACON CHAPTER, NO. 21, R A M Hall, 3d floor, No 19 North Water street; meets Tuesday evening on or preceding full moon of each month J S McClelland, H P.

IONIC LODGE, NO 312, A F and A M—Hall, 3d floor northwest corner West Main and Old square. Meets Monday evening, on or preceding full moon of each month J S McClelland, W M.

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ODD FELLOWS.

CELESTIAL LODGE, NO 186—Hall, South side City Park. Meet Monday evenings Fred Palmeyer, N G; Geo W Paterson, D G M and Rep

DECATUR ENCAMPMENT, NO 37—Hall, west side of Old square; meet second and fourth Thursdays of each month M Alberts, C P; Wm Towling, D G P and Rep.

DECATUR LODGE, NO 65—Hall, west side of Old square Meets Tuesday evenings D. Seller, N G; C H Fuller, D G M and Rep

MUTUAL AID.

CENTRAL LODGE, NO 184—Hall, south side City Park Meet second and fourth Tuesdays of each month John Irwin, Pres; John Lytle, Sec.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

COEUR DE LEON, NO 17—Hall, corner Park and State streets Meets every Wednesday evening Wm H Snorb, C C; C M Durfee, K R S.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR.

DECATUR LODGE, NO 667—Hall northwest corner Old Square Meet second an fourth Thursdays of each month James Freeman, Dic; H A Wood, Rep.

ROYAL TEMPLARS OF TEMPERANCE.

DECATUR COUNCIL, NO. 12—Hall, Court House block; meet Friday night. E McNabb, S.

GOOD TEMPLARS.

HALL in Court House block, meet Monday evening.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

POSTOFFICE BLOCK—Open from 9 to 12 a m. 1 to 6 and 7 to 9 p m.

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MASTER'S SALE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss.
MACON COUNTY, }
MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

John Trainer county superintendent of schools vs. David L Allen et al. No 10955.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of decretal order entered in the above entitled cause in said court at the —ecem der term 1879 and December term A. D. 1880, I, John A Brown, Master in Chancery for said court, on Thursday the 20th day of January A. D 1881 at the hour of two o'clock p m of said day, shall sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the west door of the court house, in Decatur in said county, the following described real estate situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, to-wit: seventy (70) feet off of the north side of lot one (1) in block one (1) of the western addition to the town now city of Decatur, Illinois, together with all and singular the tenements and hereditaments thereunto belonging Said premises will be sold subject to redemption.

Decatur, Illinois, Dec. 20, 1880.

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery for Macon County, Illinois.
E, T. HUNDLEY, Sol. for complainant. d30d

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE,

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on the seventh day of February next, I shall attend before the county court of Macon county, at Decatur, Illinois, at 10 o'clock a. m., of said day for the purpose of settling and adjusting all claims against the estate of Stephen P. Riddle, late of said county, deceased, when and where all claimants are notified and requested to attend and present their claims in writing against said estate for adjustment All persons indebted to said estate are also notified to make payment to the undersigned without delay.

December 22, 1880. ALFRED R. PIDDLE.
3tw Administrator.

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Given a bottle of Spring Blossom, to find a case of
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Prices: 50c, trial bottles 10c. d&w1w

THE MARKETS.

The following are the closing quotations of Chicago prices, as reported at the Priest House.

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
Wheat		96¾	98⅝
Corn		36⅜	37⅜
Oats		30¾	30⅞
Lard		8 87½	8 92½
Pork		12 42½	12 55
Rye			
Barley			

Decatur Markets.

The following are the current prices in this market paid by dealers except flour which is the price at mills:

FLOUR AT MILL.

White Wheat	2 95
X X X per cwt	2 60
White Leaf	2 75
Corn Meal, per bush	60

GRAIN.

Wheat, White	90
Corn, per bush	33@35
Oats, "	30

THE GROCERY.

Sweet Potatoes, per peck	50
White Beans (navy)	3.00
Eggs per doz	25
Butter—Choice Dairy, per lb	15@18

MEATS.

Cattle—Common, per cwt	3 00@4 00
Hogs—Live, per cwt	4 00@4 40
Calves Live, per cwt	4 00@4 50
Sheep—Live, per cwt	4 00
Lard per lb	8@10
Hams	18

HIDES.

Dry Flint	15@18
Green Country	6½
Green Calf	10

Damaged, scored or grubby, two thirds price. Branded, 10 per ct. off.

POULTRY.

Chickens, live, per doz	1 75@2 00
" dressed	2 00@2 25
Turkies per lb	5
" " dressed	06

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKET.

Apples per bush	60@75
Potatoes	50@65

GRASS SEEDS.

Timothy per bu	1 75
Clover "	4 25

Retail prices charged by dealers and on the streets.

HAY.

Timothy, per ton	10.00
Prairie "	5.00@6.00
Slough "	5.00

FUEL.

Hickory, per cord	5.00@5.50
Oak "	4.00@4 50
Coal, soft	4 00
Coal, hard	9 00

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LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

CHRISTMAS IN IRELAND.

The Efforts of the Land League—Terrific Storm on the Atlantic Coast.

A Man and His Wife Brutally Murdered by One of their Own Boarders.

Ireland.

LONDON, December 27.—A dispatch from Dublin says: A generally so dull and sad Christmas has never been experienced here. Sullen depression marks the spirit of the people, and traders, who have for some time been feeling very acutely the effects of the disturbed state of the country, are beginning to exhibit signs of great embarrassment. The efforts of the Land League are now chiefly directed towards the north of Ireland where it is persistently trying to overcome the repugnance to its practices. There can be still little doubt it has succeeded considerably, when mostly all the districts are honeycombed with its organization.

INTERRUPTING THE MAIL.

LONDON, December 27.—The War Office is greatly excited over the rumor that the Dublin mail bag has been intercepted by the Fenians on the way to London and rifled of its contents. The crisis in Ireland has raised the excitement in London to an almost unprecedented pitch. Nothing else is talked about in places of public resort, and scarcely anything else is thought about by thoughtful people but the grave troubles which beset the government on every side.

A Man and Wife Killed.

ALLENTOWN, PA, December 27.—Jacob Gogel and wife, residing four miles from Boston, were found dead in bed this morning, their heads nearly severed from their bodies. Joseph Snyder, who boarded with the Gogels, was believed to be the murderer. He was caught by an infuriated mob and was hanged to the nearest tree.

A Gale on the Atlantic Coast for Seventy-two Hours.

NEW YORK, December 27.—The storm on the New Jersey coast raged for seventy-two hours. Summer residences at Monmouth Beach were damaged $40,000. The roads about Long Branch are blockaded with snow. Some of the drifts are ten feet deep.

Gold Imports.

NEW YORK, December 27.—The steam ship Rhein, from Europe, brought $1,100,000 British and French coin, and the steamship Britannic $727,000 British gold coin.

Rev. Dr. Chapin Dead.

NEW YORK, December 27.—The *Evening Post* says the Rev. Dr. Chapin died yesterday.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Call at Henry Eberts, corner of Prairie and Water streets, for bananas, grapes, oranges, pears, and Christmas candies. 25d1w

A full line of kid gloves, and corsets just received at Bear & Einsteins.

B. Stine the boss clothier warrants every article he sells, and don't you forget it. d&wtf

J. Veale, the tailor, one door west of Water on south side Prairie street, is one of the best cutters in the state. He pledges the fullest satisfaction. s29tf

Bear & Einstein have a first class miliner from Chicago who knows how to get up first-class work which draws a crowd to their store daily. Give them a call. Dec2tf.

GROCERIES—Choice canvassed sugar cured hams for sale, by the quantity, at 11 cents, and groceries in proportion at the popular grocery house of SAMUEL MCROBERTS, southeast Corner New Square. aug30d&wtf

Bienz & Martin have on hand 300 live turkeys which they will dress for holidays. Call and leave your order.

Fine stationery for ladies—A splendid assortment of the very latest New York styles, just received at J. M. Stookey &Co's. d&w

A large and complete assortment of dress buttons just received by LINN & SCRUGGS. sl3tf

Men's heavy boots as low as $2.00: calf boots $2.50 at sign of big boot upside down, post office block. d&wtf.

Bienz & Martin have on hand 300 live turkeys which they will dress for holidays. Call and leave your order.

Veale the tailor has a good selection of piece goods. Call on him when you want a good, well fitting suit of clothes. s29tf.

None can give a more useful present than a good warm winter shawl, cloak, dolman or pair of blankets. All of the above goods in good assortment will be found this week, at greatly reduced prices, at the Popular New York Store. d&w1

Bear & Einstein offer special bargains in millinery goods from now until after the holidays. Call and see their prices before buying goods in that line. Dec2tf.

Nickle plated 7 shooters at $1.00 and other goods in proportion, at the new gun store, two doors east of P. O. o25-3m.

W. R. Tappan, Contractor and builder, Toledo, Ohio, says:—An Excelsior Kidney Pad relieved me of pain in the side of fifteen years' standing. Please send me another Pad.—*See Adv.*

The people in the neighborhood of Antioch church in Long Creek township had a Christmas tree and good time generally on Friday evening last. Old and young united to make the festival a success, and all whose privilege it was to be there speak of it in the highest terms of praise.

Dove Lodge, No. 600, I. O. O. F., of Warrensburg, will have an oyster supper and festival in the hall in the village of Warrensburg on Thursday evening, Dec. 30, to which the public generally are cordially invited. There will be a supper, oysters, and a good time generally.

Our Great

and successful sale of cheap dress goods and fine cashmeres still continues. This week we will offer special and extraordinary inducements to all cash buyers. POPULAR NEW YORK STORE, d&w1

The Springfield *Monitor* says:

"A Springfield girl hangs her stockings on a towel rack, a Jacksonville girl on the chair back, a Decatur girl lays her's on the baby's chair, a Taylorville girl pins them together and hangs one on each side of the head-board of her bed, a Chicago girl chains her's to the outside of the window, but a St. Louis girl manages to yank her's up in the coal house with a block and tackle."

At St. John's church (Luthern) in South Macon, on Friday evening last, there was a Christmas tree and Sunday school festival. Rev. E. Washey, the paster, was the leader in carrying forward the festival, in which he was assisted by G. W. Cook, W. F. Myers, Mr. Conover, and a number of ladies. Several songs were sung, and all of the children received two or more gifts from the tree. The pastor and all interested are pleased with the success of the occasion, and hope to merit the marks of confidence shown by the many present.

The plate glass on the west side of the door to Young & Norman's barber shop was mashed on Friday night by some means unknown to the occupants. The break is near the bottom and it may have been made by some careless boy throwing some thing against it. Whoever did the mischief will be likely to do his best to keep himself out of sight Plate glass windows are a somewhat expensive luxury to start with, and if they chance to get broken frequently they become somewhat burdensome.

Cash Buyers

should not fail to see the very desirable lot of winter goods which we will close out this week at greatly reduced prices, giving an excellent chance to make useful holiday presents, such as shawls, cloaks, blankets, or a good winter dress. Call any way and see what's to be had at the Popular New York Store. d&w1

Engine and Cars Piled Up.

On Saturday evening while an engine of the I. D. & S. R. R. was doing some switching at Tuscola, on account of the switch not being closed quick enough, the engine was run off the track and damaged somewhat, and several frieght cars were piled up on each other. It took about nine hours to clear the track so that trains could pass.

Give

to your *Mother, Sister, Wife* or *Friend*, a good dolman, cloak, shawl, or a good pair of blankets, or a nice winter dress, because nothing could be more useful and appropriate. And you will find what you want in any of the above goods, at a very low price, at the Popular New York Store, d&w1

Teacher's Meeting

The following is the programme for the next regular meeting of the association. Phonics, by Mr. Evans; Reading, by Miss Jennie Young; Paper, "The wants of our country schools," Mr. W. H Gantz; Grammar, The use of but, as, and the infinitive, S. E. Cussins, alternate, James Montgomery.

E. B. SMITH sec., pro tem.

Please note that the county superintendent desires a discussion of the utility of "a graduating course of study for the Country and Village schools."

Association meets at 1 o'clock p. m. January 1, 1881.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Jacob March to David Portwood 15 acres, sec 14, town 14, range 2 e: W. D. $500.

James S. Shastid to John Shastid lots 2 and 7 w ½, n e qr sec 16, town 17, range 3 e: W. D. $3,600.

Brnet K. Hamsher to Anna E Bobb 31 ft off e side of lot 3 and 12 ft off w side of lot 2, block 5, R. J. Oglesby's add: W. D. $1,500.

Andrew Shoemaker to Mrs. Cobie Scars, lot 11, block 4, Gatlin's add: W. D $2,000.

Timothy Waller to Frank Potter, lots 12, 13, 14, block 2 of Walters' add. to Maroa: W. D. $90.

William R. Walter to Frank Tozier and Timothy Waller, lots 13, 14, block 2 Walters' add. to Maroa: W. D. $50

James C. Davis to Louis J. Davis 25 acres of e ½, s e qr, sec 33, town 16, range 2 e: W. D. $250.

Fred Myers to John F. Flood und. 1-6 lot 6, block 9 P. M. & G.'s add: W. D. $100.

David Ater to Charles S. McKay s e qr, s e qr, sec 28, town 18, range 4 e: W. D. $1,600.

Sol Smith Russell.

This evening, December 28, Decatur will be treated to another attractive entertainment in a very taking piece that has been christened "Edgewood Folks," in which Mr. Sol. Smith Russell takes the leading role. It has been having a lively run at the Park theatre in New York, and of its success there the *Graphic* speaks as follows:

"'Edgewood Folks,' a new comedy, written for Mr. Sol Smith Russel, found as warm a welcome in New York last night as it has elsewhere. Mr. Russell's Tom Dilloway is a creation, and is full enough of rapid changes to satisfy a lover pantomime, and has manliness enough about it to please a bishop. During the play Mr. Russell was overwhelmingly applauded. He kept the house in a roar of laughter—hot work as laughter is in August—and answered encores again and again. In the relation of her love experience as Hulda Jane Hardwicke, he was simply immense. The support in all the parts was admirable. If you want a thorough shaking up, go and see Russell in 'Edgewood Folks.' 'The Deekin sez so too.'"

Uncle Tom's Cabin.

This ever popular play will be presented with some new features which are marked improvements, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 29. The best artists known to the public carry the several parts. Read what a leading paper says:

Each season the enterprising managers add new attractions and seek every way to improve what was already well nigh perfect. Topsy, the girl that growed, is given to the life, by the famous artiste, Miss Kate Partington. Her songs, dances and banjo solos are nightly greeted with immense applause. Little May Hillman as Eva, gives a magnificent piece of child acting, and L. F. Howard as Uncle Tom portrays as the faithful old slave to the life The popular comedian, C. E. Dudley, as Marks, the lawyer, is beyond criticism, and every character is well handled—the whole forming the best rendition ever given of that popular story. The closing tableau, "The Rock of Ages or Eva in Heaven," is most touching and beautiful,

Read the ad in another place and note the low prices.

A religious revival will be inaugurated at the 1st M. E. church on next Sunday evening. It will continue throughout next week, and perhaps longer.—*Decatur Republican.*

We were aware that the *Republican* was pretty cheeky, but this is the first we had known of it assuming the responsibility of saying when religious revivals should be inaugurated and how long they should continue. We always supposed that the Lord had something to do with religious revivals and we are a little doubtful now about Him having placed the matter in charge of the *Republican* editorial corps. We have been informed that a series of special meetings will soon be commenced at the church named, and we certainly hope that the meetings may be the means of promoting a religious revival.

All

Our Cloaks, Dolmans and Circulars are made out of superior material. We buy no trashy satinet or cotton garment, have none in our stock, and won't handle any of that kind or class of goods. Besides, we can convince you very easily that we can save you from $2 to $3 on every Cloak, Dolman or Circular that you buy, and give you superior goods besides. We know whereof we speak.

1wd&w d24 CHEAP STORE.

Grand Ball.

A grand ball will be given in Powers' hall, Thursday evening, December 30th, 1880. The affair will be under good management, and a good time may be expected. All well disposed persons are cordially invited: none others admitted. dec28td

Not Exactly.

Have you been much at sea? No, not exactly, my brother married an admiral's daughter,
Were you ever in France? No not exactly, but my mother's name was French.
Did you ever have the rheumatism? No, not exactly, but my father has and he cured it with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil d&w1w

For Rent.

The second story of Rothfuss' building south side of the old square, formerly occupied by the REVIEW. There are two large rooms, in good repair. Terms reasonable inquire of ANDREW ROTHFUSS. Decatur. Ill., 11d2w

Mrs. N. Palmer, 149 Morgan street, Buffalo, N. Y., writes: My child was taken Feb. 1st with croup in severest form and Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil being the only remedy at hand, I began giving it according to directions and found it gave immediate relief, I gave three (3) doses and the child rested well the remainder of the night. I have used it in my family for some time with complete success d&w1w

A Card.

I have an assortment of gas fixtures, chandeliers, store pendents, brackets and globes which I will sell at cost price, to close out the stock.

d&w H. MUELLER.

Cloaks, Dolmans and Circulars.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 28.

Engagement of the Renowned Comedian and Great Character Actor,

SOL SMITH RUSSELL

In his Famous Character of

TOM DILLOWAY

In J. E Brown's New American Comedy, in four acts, entitled

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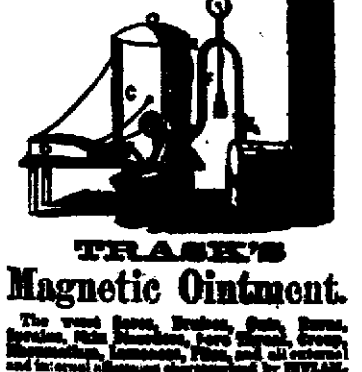

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THE January number of the *Nursery* is a beauty. Little folks who read it will be pleased.

THE Peoria *Freeman* will be enlarged next week. We congratulate the *Freeman* on this evidence of prosperity.

THE republican press with singular unanimity take the part of Weaver against Sparks. Weaver voted for Hayes in 1876, and played into the hands of Garfield in 1880. He is to all intents and purposes a republican.

THE effort of two of the ministers of the established church of England to defy the authority of the eclesiastical courts has brought them to grief and sent them to prison. Their lot is a peculiarly hard one because the writ of *habeas corpus* cannot be invoked as against the decree of the eclesiastical courts.

THE Washington *Star* says: "The average net earning of a sleeping-car which costs $12,000 are about $1,000 per month, and the ordinary working life of one of them is from ten to twelve years. In other words, it pays for itself the first year, and after that makes about $100,000 clear profit for its owners, barring the cost of occasional slight repairs." This is evidently counting the profits pretty close, but there is certainly ground for complaint against the sleeping car companies.

THE *Herald* plays the innocent on Sunday morning in reply to some of our strictures on its morals in advocating a non religious Sabbath, and setting up Bernhardt and George Eliot as proper persons for high places in the best society. It won't do to say "we didn't do it," for our extracts from that paper were from its editorial columns and not from its *news* item. If the *Herald* is right in its rationalistic views, let it boldly continue the advocacy and not charge us with making a warfare upon it by publishing extracts. We have no quarrel with the *Herald* but do not think it to the interest of this community or of the state to have the atheistical French Sunday established or advocated in our midst, or women who have prostituted their virtue, and who glory in their shame, sets up as models for imitation. There is no parent in this city who cares for the future of his family who wishes his daughter taught that they can live with paramours, and be the mothers of illegitimate children, glorying in it—and so hope to be received into the best society. Bernhardt may be dashing; and many of the street walkers who have been equally free in dispensing their carnal charms. George Eliot may have done a defiant act in giving a practical illustration of free love in going to live with one who had a wife living; so have others, but they are not models for our sisters and daughters. When the *Herald* advocates the cause of this class of women, in its leading editorials, it must expect censure, and when parents nurse such a viper, they must expect it some day to return and sting them.

The columns of the REVIEW will not be filled with long telegraphic dispatches about the doings of women of this class. The *Herald* is welcome to all the credit for enterprise there may be connected with doing it.

Boycotting.

N. Y. Sun.

What is the process known as Boycotting, and which is fast taking the place of the shillalah and the shotgun among the instruments of Irish protest and resistance? It is a species of social ostracism, enforced with pitiless severity in the minutest details, as well as in the large concerns of life. The presence of a Boycotted person is not acknowledged by a word, a look, a gesture. Not only is there no intercourse, but no business is directly or indirectly transacted with him. Nobody will buy his grain, his flour, his garden produce, his horses, cattle, farms, or anything he has to sell; nobody will sell him a pound of meat, an ounce of flour, a gill of whiskey, or an hour's work. No one will give or lend him assistance in any way, and no money will tempt a man to approach his dwelling. Under such circumstances a Boycotted gentleman must think his house as if he were going on an Arctic cruise; for otherwise, no matter how large his bank account, he may starve in the midst of plenty. Even when supplies have been procured from a distance he would lead the life of a castaway on some desert island, with the stinging consciousness that, in his case, solitude bore constant witness to the hate and loathing of every human being within reach of eye or ear.

In a word, Boycotting means much the same sort of compulsory isolation as that to which lepers were subjected in ancient and mediæval times. Indeed, the Irish process is in some respects a harsher one, since, even among the Jews, the kinsfolk of a leper were allowed to bring him food and clothing, provided they laid the articles on the ground at a certain distance. It is not at all impossible, on the other hand, that under the stern application of the Irish proscriptive measure some landlords may be made to feel the same pangs of hunger which their tenants have so frequently experienced. It is certain that a threat of Boycotting is already regarded with peculiar dismay, and that this impalpable engine of coercion has lready proved more effective than overt acts of violence.

Not the First Row.

Washington Cor. of Cin. Enquirer.

The disgraceful scene between Weaver and Sparks in the House of Representatives recalls two events which occurred in the long time ago between two Ohio men. In 1842 Joshua R. Giddings, after having been expelled from the House for an expression of his views on the subject of slavery, was promptly re-urned to his seat by his constituents. In a subsequent speech he said: "I will now speak of the time when Dawson of Louisiana, drew a bowie-knife for my assassination. I was afterward speaking with regard to a certain transaction in which negroes were concerned in Georgia, when Mr. Black, of Georgia, raising his bludgeon and standing in front of my seat, said to me: 'If you repeat that language again I will knock you down.' It was a solemn moment for me. I had never been knocked down, and having some curiosity on the subject, I repeated the language, when Mr. Dawson, of Louisiana, the same who had drawn the bowie-knife, placed his hand in his pocket and said with an oath which I will not repeat, that he would shoot me, at the same time cocking the pistol so that all around me could hear the click."

In the same year a scene occurred in the House between Mr Sherman, of Ohio (now Secretary Sherman), and J. Wright, of Tennessee. Sherman tried to throw a handful of wafers in Wright's face, when Wright made an attempt to strike him. Confusion and excitement prevailed for a moment, but were soon allayed.

Superstition Attaching to Gems.

It is a curious superstition which associates with each month in the year its characteristic gem. It is thought, to this day, among Eastern nations—and the same belief prevails among the old Romans—that the fortunes of a human being are influenced by the stone which belongs to his birth-month.

The fiery Garnet is the stone of January, and it insures "constancy and fidelity in every sort of engagement."

To February belongs the Amethyst and he who is born in February should wear the purple stone as a preservative against violent passions and drunkenness" to which Fate will tempt him.

Stormy March has, and needs, the Bloodstone, which gives "courage and wisdom in perilous undertakings, and firmness in affection."

To fickle April, all smiles and tears, belongs the deep blue Sapphire which "frees from enchantment, and denotes repentance and kindness of disposition."

The Emerald belongs to May, and its brilliant green suits the Spring verdure. "It discovers false witnesses, and insures happiness in love and domestic felicity."

The Agate, which belongs to the flowery month of June, "causes its wearer to be invincible in the feats of strength, and insures long life, health, and prosperity."

To burning July the glowing Ruby belongs, and it is a beneficent stone, for it both, "discovers poison, and cures all evils springing from the unkindness of friends."

The Sardonyx to him who is born in August, "insures conjugal felicity."

The Chrysolite "preserves from despair" him who is born in September.

To ripe October belongs the pale Opal, with the glint of fire at its heart—"stone of misfortune, but also of hope."

The Pearl, meaning "tears and pity," is assigned to sad November, but let him who is born in December take heart of grace, for the light blue Turquoise assures to him "prosperity in love."

Two Touching Stories.

This beautiful story is related by the New York Post: "A singular and beautiful incident happened in Jacksonville, Florida, not long ago. The little daughter of a resident of that city was in the habit of daily feeding a nightingale, which would come to the house every morning to receive its food. Not long ago the little girl sickened and died, and as she lay in her coffin the nightingale flew through an open window to the room sang one of its beautiful melodies, and departed. An hour later it was found dead in the front yard, having evidently perished from grief at the loss of its young friend."

Feeling jealous about it, the Chicago Tribune has to tell another: "A precisely similar incident happened in Chicago last Winter. An old man had been in the habit of throwing fire-wood, bootjacks and what furniture he could spare at an old tom-cat that came around about 2 o'clock every morning.

One day the old man died, and as he lay in his coffin the cat came around and uttered one of its most defiant melodies. A minute later it was found dead in the back yard, having evidently died of grief at the loss of its head, which one of the mourners had blown off with a shotgun. There can be no doubt that history repeats itself."

Having a Little Fun.

[New Orleans Picayune.]

He is a tall, sickly looking man and can be seen every morning seated on one of the benches in Lafayette Square. He has never been seen in conversation with any one, and he looks like he didn't possess a friend in the world.

"How thin and pale he looks," said one young man to another as they passed him by.

"He is one of the most miserable looking creatures I ever looked upon," said the other.

"I'd like to know who he is. I see him here every morning occupying that same seat."

"Let's have a little sport with him."

"All right, Ned, I'm in for it."

They both walked slowly over to where the man was seated, and when they got in front of him, one of them asked:

"Say, old fellow, how long have you been above ground?"

No answer.

"He must be deaf," said he to his friend. "I'll speak a little louder."

"Where are you from?" yelled the young man, loud enough to be heard at the City Hall.

The man never moved.

"He'd make an elegant sign for a cemetery; wouldn't he, Ned?"

"He'd meet with more success as a hearse driver," said the other.

"Say, you old, pale-faced, long-legged cemetery bird—"

Before the young man could say another word the unknown individual sprang from his seat, as quick as lightning, and dealt him a powerful blow between the eyes which made him think that a torchlight procession was passing along about that time.

The other young man didn't wait to pick his friend up, but took to his heels and got out of the nearest gate just as fast as his legs could carry him.

When the man who "would make a good sign for a cemetery" got through playing foot-ball with that young man he turned around and walked out of the square, without saying a word.

Thrift.

[Unknown Exchange.]

God has implanted in human hearts a desire for independence. This desire is strengthened by every day's experience. Every man blessed with a sound mind in a sound body may attain the coveted point. He has only to apply himself to intelligent industry and husband his resources.

It has been truly said that it is the duty of every one to be thrifty; but it should be kept in mind that there is a difference between thrift and mean parsimony. Some people who are at ease in their circumstances make themselves ridiculous by shabby attempts at saving.

We once knew an old lady who, though she had a considerable sum of money left her, was parsimonious to an extraordinary extent. As she grew old she grew more miserly, until she would not allow herself milk for her tea or meat for her dinner. Bent double with rheumatism in her old age, she would not pay any one to wash or clean her house, but with infinite labor accomplished these tasks herself. She never would send for a doctor, for she pithily remarked:

"They cost a power of money, and do no good." On bitter winter days we would often find her shivering over a small fire, a small piece of hard cheese and a cup of tea with mouldy bread her only dinner. When she died she left about five thousand dollars, besides various moneys in silver, copper and bank notes, which she stuffed into drawers and various secret recesses. All her money went to a couple of nephews, who never paid her the least respect, and who even grudged the necessary outlay for her funeral!

Such a life is a failure. It is clearly a duty to get all the good out of life we can. While industry and economy are enjoyed as duties, it is also clear that we should use the fruit of these virtues for our common necessaries and comforts.

Canine Affection.

[Albany Evening Times.]

About two months ago an abandoned woman was taken to the second district station house, and after being arraigned in the police court, was sent to the penitentiary for one year in default of bail for her good behavior in the future.

At the same time of her arrest a little pet yellow dog followed her to the station house, but after she was taken to the penitentiary the little animal felt itself homeless. It had last seen its mistress in the police court, and day after day it visited the city building and explored every part of it to which it could obtain admittance in search of the lost one.

It had seen its mistress in the hands of the officers, and consequently every man in uniform was the subject of mute interrogation. After a time it seemed to have concluded its mistress was not in the city building, but that the policemen knew of her whereabouts. Accordingly became accustomed to follow officers on their beats, watching their every movement.

At last it appeared to take an especial liking to Officer Walker, who encouraged the advances of the affectionate beast. It was always happiest when walking along State and Pearl streets, the favorite promenade of its lost mistress.

But the dumb animal, whose grief was far more poignate than that of many a human being, was not destined to live until the gates of the penitentiary opened to let the loved one free.

A few days ago some wretch in State street threw the animal a piece of poisoned meat, and in a few moments its earthly woes were over. There must have been something good about that lost woman, for there was never yet a dog that loved a person wholly bad.

Characteristics of the Sexes.

There is an admirable partition of the qualities between the sexes, which the Author of our being has distributed to each with a wisdom that challenges our unbounded admiration:

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Man is strong—woman is beautiful.
Man shines abroad—woman at home.
Man prevents misery—woman relieves it.
Man has a rugged heart—woman a soft one.
Man has judgment—woman has sensibility.
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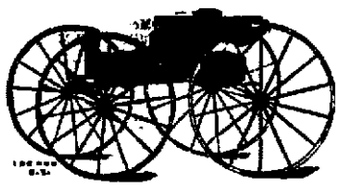

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DECATUR REVIEW.

S. S. JACK

BACHELORS.

Where do old bachelors go—when they die?
Where do the bachelors go?
Do their souls take flight to the realms on high,
Or the darker regions below?
Old maids with their follies and whims
Climb up the golden stair,
But where do old bachelors go with their sins?
Sweet echo answers, where?

Old bachelors go to—well when they die
We know where the bachelors go
Old maids shall pile the embers high
Far down in their quarters below
"We might have been married," they cry aloud,
And look up from the regions dark,
"Then we could swing on a rosy cloud
And play on a golden harp."

LOVE'S STRATEGY.

How a Stern French Parent was Outwitted.

[Hair-Dressers' Chronicle]

Mr M. was a retired manufacturer, and possessed of considerable fortune. He also had a daughter, nineteen years of age, of great personal attractions.

What wonder, that she should have made many a young fellow's heart beat quicker who tried to gain her virgin affections? But "Papa" M. took care of his treasure as if she were the pupil of his eye, and many were the unhappy mortals who left his hospitable table never to return. "Plenty of time," said he, when the right one comes, and I approve," etc.

But the right one had come long ago, only papa didn't know it, and he had come in the person of a young engineer, who had formerly had business transaction with Papa M. The young people had seen each other, looked at each other, and a kind of understanding had been come to. Yes, and the affection was deep enough to last, even when Mr. M. retired from trade and the young gallant had no further excuse for coming on business. Then there was a succession of dark days. But love is inventive, and in this instance also proved to be so.

Mr. M. was in the habit of visiting twice a week at his hair-dresser's to have his beard and wig looked after; and on this fact love built his structure. One of the younger assistants was taken into confidence, and, consequently, considerable attention was paid by the young man to Mr. M.'s hat, receiving it on his entering, giving it a careful brush, and handing it back on departure; and in this wise poor, dear "papa" became, unconsciously of course, the postillion d'amour between his daughter and her swain.

Thus things continued for four long months; but the best silk hat—let it be ever so carefully brushed, wants an iron now and again. Mr. M.'s hat was several years old, and just about Christmas it wanted ironing badly. So, Mr. M., instead of proceeding to the hair dresser's as usual, went to his hatter's and presented his hat for renovation.

Mr. Hatter says, after inspecting it; "Is this hat too large for you?"

"No; why do you ask?"

"Because you put paper inside."

"Paper! Paper! Not I; how does it get there, I wonder?"

Not long did he wonder, for on carefully unfolding the paper he read: "Don't be down-hearted, dear Edward; my father is good and generous of heart, let us speak openly to him of our love; he will not say no if we promise to make his old age happy. On my knees I will confess my love to him. Beside, our correspondence cannot last much longer; the continued brushing has so worn papa's hat that I fear from day to day that he will have to have it done up," etc.

Mr. M.'s hat having been refreshed, he went as usual to his hair-dresser's, having previously carefully replaced the letter.

In the saloon he kept a steady, though covered look-out on the officious young assistant, and found his surmises correct.

The operations finished, he gravely received his hat, handed the assistant as usual his pour boire, and departed.

Before returning home, however, he took occasion to inspect his hat, and extract and read a missive from no other than the engineer. Among other things, the young man swore that not a penny did he want of his love's father—his position, thank goodness, bringing him more than sufficient to live happy and comfortable.

"Well," said papa, "he seems to be an honestly-disposed young man, and if," etc.

For some time he allowed the correspondence to go on, reading regularly and watchfully the letters from both sides, unknown to them, of course, until one day, when the letters had been particularly desponding and good, he put an end to it and made them happy, as may be seen by the cards sent to all whom it might concern.

The Crooked King's Bed.

[From British Battles on Land and Sea]

In the corporation records of Leicester, there is still preserved a story curiously illustrative of the darkness and precaution of Richard's character. Among his camp baggage it was his custom to carry a cumbersome wooden bedstead, which he averred was the only couch he could sleep in; but in which he contrived to have a secret receptacle for treasure, so that it was concealed under a weight of timber.

After Bosworth Field the troops of Henry pillaged Leicester; but the royal bed was neglected by every plunderer as useless lumber. The owner of the house afterward discovering the hoard became suddenly rich, without any visible cause. He bought land, and at length became Mayor of Leicester.

Many years afterward his widow, who had been left in great affluence, was assassinated by her servant, who had been privy to the affair; and at the trial of this culprit and her accomplices the whole transaction came to light.

Concerning this bed, a public print of 1830 states that "about half a century since, the relic was purchased by a furniture broker in Leicester, who slept in it for many years, and showed it to the curious; it continues in as good condition apparently as when used by King Richard, being formed of oak, and having a high polish. The daughter of the broker having married one Babington, of Bothley, near Leicester, the bedstead was removed to Babington's house, where it is still preserved."

When you see a man take his hat off to you it is a sign that he respects you. But when he is seen divesting himself of his coat you can make up your mind that he intends you shall respect him.—[Yonkers Statesman.

School Cram.

[Every Saturday]

Observation and some experience have convinced us that the schools are kept at work at least four weeks too long in this climate. In New England, where May and early June are comparatively cool, school children may work advantageously several weeks later than is safe or proper in Baltimore.

The amount of "book larnin" which a little boy or girl may get in the last few weeks of school but ill repays the strain and exertion of the reviews and examinations that are crowded into the most trying weeks of our trying climate. The lassitude that overtakes young and delicate frames may by spurred up to work; cram may take the place of beneficial study, and prizes and distinctions be won; but when the school closes many of the best pupils find their spring and elasticity gone.

They are worn and jaded, and even the vast recuperative energies of youth often fail utterly to bring them back to their full vitality. What parent could rejoice at a gold medal won in a school competition, if the winner should show pallid cheeks, nervous depression, langour, listlessness or peevishness, the results of overwork?

The colleges and universities, where strong and robust young men are students, usually close their season of study long before our public schools are closed. We do not mean to find fault with our school system. On the contrary, we have a great pride in it, and a hearty admiration of all the good that it accomplishes. But we confess that we would like to see evidence of more vigorous health among the pupils.

We should like to see them ruddier, more sunburnt, fuller of joyous vitality, to see a little more base ball and swimming, even at the cost of a little less "joggerfy and grammar." He who over-drives a colt will never raise a first-rate horse. The breeders of fine animals of all kinds are careful not only to avoid overworking them, but even to keep them from over-exerting themselves.

We work our little folks too hard at school, and the evil effects will appear when they are grown. One cause of the alleged inferior vitality of American women is to be found in overwork during childhood and girlhood. A splendid vitality is the best thing a man or woman could have to enter upon the business of life, and all other gifts without this are impaired in value. Give the young folks a chance. We are for the boys and girls, first, last and all the time.

A Touch of Nature That Makes the Whole World Kin.

[Catherine Cole in New Orleans Times]

There is nothing in the world so sad as human nature, and the tears come into my eyes now as I think of the pitiful story Tom told me as he smoked his after-supper pipe last night.

The other day just before I came home, Tom had occasion to go over the lake. On his way back and when the train stopped at the Bay he noticed a man getting into the car in front of him with a little baby lying in his arms. The baby seemed young and the man hushed it in his arms with a gentle, rocking motion, bending over it now and then to kiss its little white face.

After the train got under way the conductor came to Tom and said: "Come with me I want to show you the saddest, strangest sight you ever saw in all your life," he led the way into the next car. "Do you see that man over there?" said he, and there sat the man whom Tom had noticed with the babe. His precious little bundle lay quiet on the seat in front of him, and as these other two men watched, he leaned over looked long and earnestly in the little flower face, and then kissed the frail finger tips he held so gently in his hand. "That baby's dead," said the conductor. "It died this morning at the Bay. He couldn't bear to put it in a coffin, because then it would have to go without him in the baggage car, and so he is just carrying it home to New Orleans in his arms."

And the car rattled on—the boy called the stale slices of sponge cake and his cigars through the train—the passengers laughed and smoked, and fought the mosquitoes—and he, stricken to the heart's core, sat there quiet and unheeding, watching over his dead child, kissing the finger that would never again softly clasp his, looking down upon the white lids that had closed over the bright eyes as the petals of a sensitive flower close at night-time, over its delicate heart—and the world was nothing to him.

Anecdote of Napoleon.

[New York Times]

While the battle of Wagram was in progress and Napoleon was standing on a hill overlooking the battle-field, anxiously waiting for tidings from Macdonald, and nervously taking incessant snuff, a courier rode up at a gallop, and, dismounting with some difficulty, handed the Emperor a dispatch.

Napoleon read it eagerly, and then, turning to the courier, noticed that the sun was shining directly through a large aperture made by an eighty-pound Armstrong cannon ball in the region of the man's waist-belt. "Ha!" said the Emperor, "are you wounded?"

The brave courier, making a hurried calculation with a bit of chalk on the knee of his trousers, replied: "Sire, my stomach seems to be missing, but I have yet a dozen or fifteen more organs which I shall be proud to lay at your Majesty's feet."

"Take this, my friend," exclaimed the Emperor, deeply moved, unfastening, as he spoke, his own Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor, which sparkled with diamonds, and pinning it on the courier's breast. "Would that France had more soldiers like you!"

As the soldier retired, overwhelmed with delight, Napoleon drew a fresh cross from a black carpet-bag full of like jewels, which he always carried with him, and remarked to Prince Eugene: "That is the three hundred and twenty-first man to whom I have given my own cross since this morning. How lucky it is that Talleyrand recommended me to have them set with paste diamonds."

At Railroad Speed.

M. Capoul, now in Paris, says of railtravel in this country: "American railways are not at all like ours. Imagine immense vehicles in which people move to and fro as if they were in houses; people promenade in them, eat in them, sleep in them. You may easily imagine the consequences of this system of traveling. It is impossible to tell how many marriages are patched together in these railways, which is quite natural in a country where everything is done at express speed."

Mother's Vacant Chair.

[T. De Witt Talmage]

I go a little farther on in your house and I find the mother's chair. It is very apt to be a rocking chair. She had so many cares and troubles to soothe, that it must have rockers. I remember it well. It was an old chair and the rockers were almost worn out; for I was the youngest, and the chair had rocked the whole family. It made a creaking noise as it moved, but there was music in the sound. It was just high enough to allow us children to put our heads into her lap. That was the bank where we deposited all our hurts and worries.

Oh what a chair that was. It was different from the father's chair—it was entirely different. You ask me how now? I cannot tell, but we all felt it was different. Perhaps there was about this chair more gentleness, more tenderness, more grief, when we had done wrong. When we were wayward, father scolded, but mother cried. It was a very wakeful chair. In the sick day of children, others chairs could not keep awake; that chair always kept awake—kept easily awake. That chair knew all the old lullabies, and all those worldless songs which mothers sing to their sick children—songs in which all pity and compassion and sympathetic influence are combined.

That old chair has stopped rocking for a good many years. It may be set up in the loft or the garret, but it holds a queenly power yet. When at midnight you went into that grog-shop to get the intoxicating draught, did you not hear a voice that said, "My son, why go in there?" And when you went into the house of sin, a voice saying, "What would your mother do if she knew you were here?" and you were provoked at yourself, and you charged yourself with superstition and fanaticism, and your head got hot with your own thoughts, and you went to bed, and no sooner had you touched the bed than a voice said, "What a prayerless pillow!" Man! what is the matter! This. You are too near your mother's rocking chair. "Oh, pshaw!" you say, "there's nothing in that. I'm 500 miles off from where I was born—I'm 3,000 miles off from the Scotch kirk whose bell was the first music I ever heard. I cannot help that. You are too near your mother's rocking chair. "Oh!" you say, "there can't be anything in that; that chair has been vacant a great while." I cannot help that. It is all the mightier for that; it is omnipotent—that vacant mother's-chair. It whispers. It speaks. It weeps. It carols. It mourns. It prays. It warns. It thunders.

A young man went off and broke his mother's heart, and while he was away from home his mother died, and the telegraph brought the son, and he came into the room where she lay, and looked upon her face, and cried out, "O mother, mother, what your life could not do your death shall effect. This moment I give my heart to God." And kept his promise. Another victory for the vacant chair.

The Literary Dandy.

[Saturday Review]

A young man is never more certain of social success than at the moment when most other young men never mention him without saying that they "would like to kick him." As Thackeray observed in the case of Pendennis, that desire is the result of envy and of conscious humiliation awakened in manly bosoms.

To provoke people so much is a token of superiority, and a prize of nonchalance. Nor is it social dandyism alone which thus irritates the rabble of decent fellows who have neither the vanity, nor the impudence, nor the strength of resolution to win distinction. Literary dandyism is also excessively annoying to the rugged hodmen of letters, the rapid, picturesque writers, the half or quarter educated persons who crowd the press, and carry their farrago of ill-assorted observations to an uncritical public. These industrious persons detest the literary dandy, the man who minds his periods, and regards the cadence of his sentences and shuns stock illustrations and old quotations as the social dandy avoids dirty gloves and clumsy boots. They howl at him as the little humorous street boys bully some small Etonian with a tall hat and a broad, white collar, who has lost himself in Seven Dials.

This antagonism naturally breeds more excess in literary dandyism, till the prose of some critics is as full of musk or millefleurs as the handkerchief of a popular preacher. Both parties are hardened in their ways; the rough-and-ready pressman becomes careless even of grammar, and trots out his quotations from Macaulay's essays more vigorously than of old. The prose of the exquisite begins to die away in aromatic nonsense, and his great genius tires itself to death in the hunting for rare exotic adjectives.

How They Learn.

An excellent instance of the way in which the children in the average public school learn without learning, is related by Barnes's Educational Monthly.

A teacher in one of our public schools has been accustomed to require her pupils to say: "The equator is an imaginary line passing around the earth," etc. It never occurred to her that the boys and girls in her school had no idea what an imaginary line was, until one day a visitor asked them how wide they thought the equator is. Some thought it was 5,000 miles wide, others 2,000, and others said they could jump over it. The visitor then asked them how they thought the ships got over it. One pupil said he thought they got out and drew them over, and another said he had read that a canal had been dug through it. "What is the name of the canal?" was asked. "The Suez canal," was the answer.

The Peddler.

[New York Times]

Woman, being trustful by nature and ignorant of evil, is the predestinated prey of the peddler. When he assures them that he is offering them an opportunity to buy valuable articles at a ridiculously cheap rate, they hasten to buy. What is really inexplicable is the fact that, though a woman may be cheated by six successive peddlers, she never permits her experience to lead her to distrust the seventh. This faith in peddlers, rising triumphant over every obstacle, is sublime as well as touching, and is a distinctive trait of all good women.

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MAILS CLOSE.

Illinois Central, north	6:15 a. m.
P., D. & E., east	10:30 a. m.
Wabash, east	11:00 a. m.
Illinois Midland, west	11:30 a. m.
P., D. & E.	11:00 a. m.
Wabash, west	2.00 p. m.
Wabash, St. Louis Div	2:30 p. m.
I., B. & W., Champaign Div	2:30 p. m.
P., D. & E., west	3:00 p. m.
Chicago & Burlington (via. Mendota)	3:00 p. m.
Chicago, Freeport & Dubuque, (via. Mendota)	3:00 p. m.
Illinois Midland, east	4:00 p. m.
Illinois Central, south	4:45 p. m.
Night Mails	7:30 p. m.

MAILS ARRIVE.

Night mails	3:30 a. m.
Illinois Central, from south	6:45 a. m.
P., D. & E., from west	10:40 a. m.
Chicago & Burlington (via. Mendota)	10:00 a. m.
Chicago, Freeport & Dubuque, (via. Mendota)	10:10 a. m.
Wabash, from west	12:00 m.
Wabash, St. Louis Div	12:00 m.
Illinois Midland, from east	12:00 m.
I., B. & W., (Champaign Div.)	12:00 m.
P., D. & E.	3:00 p. m.
Wabash, from east	3:30 p. m.
P., D. & E., from east	3:40 p. m.
Illinois Midland, from west	4:30 p. m.
Illinois Central from north	7:30 p. m.

A Jest.

A witty man can make a jest, a wise man can take one. It does not take either to find out the virtues of Spring Blossom in curing disorders arising from impurities of the blood, constipation, indigestion etc. Prices: 50 cents trial bottles 10 cents. d&w1w

DECATUR REVIEW.

S. S. JACK

THE CITY.

Boss overcoats at B. Stine's.

Quail on toast at Delmonico. dtf

Christmas cards at Stookey & Co's. d&w

The best meal in the city at Barnes Bros. 23d1w

Live and dressed poultry always on hand, at John Dinneen's, North Broadway. 23d1w

Read the locals of Bear & Einstein in to-day's paper. Dec2tf.

Uncle Tom's Cabin with several new features at the opera house on Wednesday night.

First class clothing sold cheaper at Stine's than at any house in the city. d&wtf.

Silk book marks at Stookey & Co's. d&w

See the immense stock of Christmas goods at John Dinneen's, North Broadway. 23d1w

Bulk oysters 30c quart at Blenz & Martin's. 22d1w

Children's and misses' school shoes cheap at post office block shoe store. d&wtf

Largest line of Christmas cards at Stookey & Co's. d&w

Fine upholstered platform rockers at Ashby & Andress' dec18dtf.

Our ice men are still harvesting, and enlarging their storage capacity. There will be no lack of cooling material in this community next summer.

Fine custom made suits at Rock Bottom figures at B. Stine's the boss clothier, d&wtf

We have a complete line of corsets, which we offer cheaper than were ever offered in this market.
Dec2tf. BEAR & EINSTEIN.

When you want first-class home made candies or confections call at Cole & Hodges Oyster Bay Restaurant, No, 8 Water St. d1w

Oh, my! those delicious oysters (Booth's brand) to be had only at Barnes Bros. dec22d1w

Largest line of albums at Stookey & Co's. d&w

Buy your BULK OYSTERS of Imboden bros. o25d

Down! down!! down!!! went the mercury last night ten below zero. This was cold enough for all practical purposes, and we didn't hear a single man say he wanted it any colder.

A fine lot of rattan chairs, the easiest rocking chair made, at Ashby & Andress' dec18tf.

Go to the Delmonico for a dish of fresh oysters, served in the best of style. s2dtf

You can buy your holiday presents, in the jewelry line, cheapest at J. L. Kuieper's, No. 30. Merchant street.

Complete line of lady's and men's satchels from the common to the best grades. KEELER.

Genuine plymouth buck gloves, hand sewed, also the oil-tan gloves Keeler's hat store.

Buy a Davis sewing machine for a present from Stookey & Co's. d&w

Anybody in need of a boss suit should examine the assortment of boss clothing at B. Stine's. d&wtf,

We keep the best stock of boots and shoes the market affords. Barber & Baker. a15dwtf

Full line of camp chairs, elegant patterns, at Ashby & Andress' Just the thing for a Christmas present. dec18dtf.

If all our readers could experience the benefits from Trask's Magnetic Ointment which we have, they would need no urging to always keep supplied with it.—Exchange.

Barber & Baker take pains in keeping their stock of boots and shoes complete in every respect. a15dwtf

An elegant assortment of fine custom made overcoats at B. Stine's, the boss clothier. d&wtf.

The regular old fashioned arm chair for old people, high in the back, double cane, for $6.00 at Ashby & Andress' dec18dtf.

Wm. H. Pullen, Fowlerville, Mich., says: I have not rested better for months than I did last night. The "Only Lung Pad" has helped me wonderfully.—*See Adv.*

Governor Cullom has issued his proclamation offering a reward of $200 for the murderer or murderers of Charles B. Scott, near Washington, Tazewell county, in the month of July last.

Sol Smith Russell in "Edgewood Folks" at the opera house this evening. Those who want to enjoy a side splitting entertainment should be on hand. Read the advertisement on the first page.

Mt. Zion Lodge, I. O. O. F., will have an oyster supper and New Year's tree on Friday evening, Dec. 31, to which the public generally are invited. The admission will be 25 cents. Everybody present will receive a gift from the tree.

The two Sunday schools at Dalton united in a Christmas tree at the Presbyterian church. Many valuable presents were distributed and an exceedingly pleasant time was enjoyed. The occasion will be long remembered by those participating.

Choice brands of tobacco and cigars are kept in stock by John Dinneen, the popular Broadway street grocer.

Don't fail to see Uncle Tom's cabin on Wednesday evening at the opera house.

For choice perfumes, hair brushes and toilet goods, go to Cole Bros., druggists. Corner of Merchant and Prairie streets.

"Edgewood Folks" to be presented at the opera house on Tuesday evening next. is simply immense.

The celebrated Baker breech-loading shot-gun, also, a new line of muzzle loaders and amunition for sale at bottom prices at Kormeyer and O'Neill's, two doors east of P. O o25-3m

"Edgwood Folks" to-night, with Sol Smith Russell as Tom Dilloway. The comedy is a taking one, and Mr. Russell is supported by a first class company.

Ladies' misses and children's shoes of all kinds and qualities at C. W. Challis' post office block. d&wtf

When you want a good revolver, pocket or table cutlery, call on E. Houston, old Revere block. 23d1w

When in need of furniture, hardware, etc., do not forget the old reliable house of E. Houston, old Revere block. 23d1w

Bear & Einstein have a complete line of notions, ladies and children's furnishing goods, also a full line of ladies underwear and knit goods. These they offer cheaper than they were ever sold in this market.

We understand that the friends of temperance are organizing for work in the several townships of the county, and that the question will be made prominent in the spring elections.

We offer bargains in trimmed bonnets and hats in all the latest styles, ranging from fifty cents to fifteen dollars. Call and see us for what you want in that line.
Dec2tf. BEAR & EINSTEIN.

Sol Smith Russell as Tom Dilloway in "Edgewood Folks" at the opera house on Thursday evening, Dec 28. This is one of the leading attractions of the season. Persons failing to see it will miss a rare treat.

The sudden change in the weather about the middle of Sunday night set people to shivering on Monday as if they were having a tussle with the chills.

We offer you the largest and best stock of new and second hand furniture in this city. E Houston, old Revere block. 23d1w

Let nobody fail to examine Liddle's immense stock of holiday goods in court house block. The like was never before seen in Decatur. d2w1

Have you seen those beautiful work stands and work baskets for ladies at Liddle's; Don't fail to get one for your wife, daughter or sister as a Christmas gift. d1w1

A squad of the Salvation army has made an attack on Jacksonville. The Athens of Illinois will not likely surrender.

Photographs down to stay at Well's gallery. Photos from 50 cents to $1.00 per dozen, cabinets $3.00 per dozen, any style, now go it you want them. 16d1w-w1mo,

A RARE BARGAIN.—New dressing case, washstand and bedstead, full marble, for sale by E. Houston, old Revere block. 23d1w

Splendid assortment of laidies' and men's underwear at ACTUAL COST. 31d&w1w CHEAP STORE.

In the southeastern part of this county a good deal of corn remains to be shucked. Some of the farmers in that region are but little more than half through

C. W. Challis, post office block keeps the most complete assortment of boots and shoes in the city, and is bound to sell if low prices will do it. d&wtf.

A large invoice of fall and winter lap robes, handsome patterns, just received and for sale at the lowest prices by a15dwtf J. G. Starr & Son.

The genuine New York saddle rock and Baltimore selects, served in any style, at the Oyster Bay Restaurant, No. 8, Water street, Cole & Hodges proprietors. dec22d&w

The next event of importance is New Years day when the little folks as usually expect some sort of a keep sake and some people keep open houses to receive their friends. We presume matters will move on about as usual on the approaching New Years day.

Go to Shoo Fly candy stand for the best lot of candy to be had in the city for 20cts per pound. Also, fine taffy. Near the post office, Decatur Ill. d&w

L. B. Smith, of Faribault, Minn., says:—I am still wearing an "Only Lung Pad, and it has helped me; I intend to have another of extra length soon.—*See Adv*

While there was a lively breeze in Decatur during the last half of Sunday night and the fornoon of Monday, it was but a gentle movement of the zephyrs compared with the sweeping gusts of wind which swept over the open prairies where there were neither buildings or trees to break the force of the gale. A more uncomfortable day than was yesterday, is not often experienced in this section.

A Joyous Wedding.

On Christmas day, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Benton, of Hickory township, by Rev. D. P. Bunn, Miss Lizzie I, Benton to Arthur R. Barber, son of Mr, Volney Barber. The attendants were Miss Ida Petsch and Frank Barber the groom's brother. A large company was present to witness the ceremony, who extended their hearty congratulations for the future happiness of the newly wedded pair. The young couple have the heartiest good wishes of the REVIEW. The following is a list of the presents;

A fine Jersey cow from V. Barber, father of the bridegroom.

Elegant gold necklace from the groom to the bride.

Five bright ten dollar gold pieces, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Benton, parents of the bride.

A fine lap-robe, Mrs. V Barber.

Fine hanging parlor lamp, A. G. Benton.

Pair of Parian marble vases, Frank Hoover.

Toilet set, Emma Petsch.

Silver butter dish, Mrs. E. Petsch.

Set of fruit dishes, "Sister Stella."

Ebony and gilt picture frame, E. J Piper.

Pair of Bantam chicks, Bertie and Walter Barber.

Pair of picture frames, from the groom.

Handsome point lace handkerchief, Linn & Scruggs, Decatur.

Lovely lace necktie, Miss Stewart.

Box note paper and evelopes, Robert Stewart.

Japanese work box, M. L. Hoffman, of St. Louis.

One dozen linen handkerchiefs, Mr. and Mrs. John Irwin, Decatur.

A handy scrap book, Frank Benton.

Handsome silver castor, from the groom's mother.

Celluloid toilet set, J. R. Small wood and D. E. Brett.

Japanese handkerchief box, Ward Hoffman, Lyon county, Minn.

Set of silver teaspoons, D. Rugg and family, Champaign.

Set of fruit knives, Walter and Albert Barber.

Pair of napkin rings, Alonzo and Charles Thrift.

Silver nut picks in case, Lillian Irwin.

Silver sugar spoon, Ida Petsch.

Card receiver and buquet holder, Eva Holman.

Preserve dish, "Bro. Vic."

Set of boquet holders, Nellie Bean.

Preserve dish, buquet holders, and silver card receiver, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Thrift.

Afghan and tidy, Zizey Bean.

Beautiful fruit dish, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Williams.

Silver butter dish, Mr. and Mrs. Thrift and daughters, Mary and Grace.

Silver spoon holder, M K. Hoover,

Pair of cuff pins, Horace Hoffman, St Louis.

Large bed spread, Carrie Benton.

Butter knife, Mr. and Mrs. Bean, Maroa.

Handsome toilet set, Frank Barber.

Silver pie trowel, gold pen and holder, Lucius Barber.

Sugar spoon, Zizey and Mollie Bean.

The Dance.

The Charity Ball which has been in anticipation for several days, came off last night, at the Guards' Armory, as arranged, and was largely attended. The old and the young, the sedate and the gay, were there, either as participants in the merry dance, or quiet observers of the joyous scene. The little folks gave innocence to the occasion, the young men and ladies zest and hilarity, and the old, dignity. The purpose for which the affair was gotten up was a noble one, and the many present doubtless felt that while they were enable to spend a happy hour, the proceeds of the evening will bring joy and comfort to many a suffering home. The ladies who originated this ball deserve great credit for their labor and success, and will be rewarded by the general appreciation of the public, and the heartfelt thanks of all to whose wants the proceeds will minister.

So many of our own deople were present that we will not attempt to name any. From abroad we noticed. Miss Rainey, of Belleville, Miss Alexander, of Terre Haute, Miss Davidson, of Hamilton, Ohio, who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Corry Johns, Miss Rose Judson, of Dixon, the Misses Pegram, of Lincoln, Miss Marsh, of Fairbury, Miss Ricks, of Taylorville and Messrs. Will H. Smith and Ed Wood, of Urbana.

The music was furnished by the Champaign band and was very fine, though we think not superior, and, perhaps, not equal, to Decatur music. We are rather partial to home institutions, and perhaps this partiality unfits us for a judge.

Notice.

Peter Perl, the undertaker, has removed his residence from West Wood street to the building two doors south of May's grocery store on South Main street. Calls by night or day will receive prompt attention. Mr Perl has recently purchased this property and will improve it for it for his permanent home. tf

A beautiful assortment of jewelry just the thing for Christmas present, which will be sold at the very lowest prices. Just received at J L. Kuieper's, No. 30, Merchant street.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY GOSSIP

Harry Crea esq. one our rising young lawyers looked in upon us yesterday afternoon.

County Superintendent, Trainer, went to Springfield yesterday to attend the State Teachers' Association.

We understand that Mr. Greely Dunston has been admitted as a partner in the blacksmithing business with Mr. Andy Dunston, on East Prairie street.

C. F. Warden, and his daughter Miss Annie, of Pennsylvania, are visiting friends in this city. They arrived on Saturday and will remain several days.

G. A. Kellar, of Cincinnati, was among our callers on Saturday. He and his will spend the holidays in the city visiting Mrs. Kellar's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Brenneman, and other friends.

E. A. Gastman, superintendent of the city schools, who has for several years past been superintendent of the Baptist Sunday-school, was re-elected to that position by a unanimous vote of the school on Sunday last.

Eli Utery, of Mt, Zion township, who had two half breed buffaloes, killed one of them on Wednesday of last week and cut it up for meat. A piece of the beef came to Decatur.

We are most happy to learn that little Freddie Abbott, who was thought to be past recovery, now shows signs of improvement which inspire hope that he may yet recover. Should he get well, it would seem almost like bringing one from the dead.

Yesterday Lieut. F. W. Wisemer at Linn & Scruggs, was so entirely oblivious to surroundings that it excited alarm on the part of his fellow-clerks, but all was explained when he so far collected his thoughts as to be able to say "there are two of them." Regulation size.

Rev. T. A. Goodwin of Indianapolis had a fair audience at the tabernacle on Saturday night. He preaches a radical doctrine, but he is probably more consistent in his practise than certain other extremists that might be mentioned.

Prof. Virgil A. Pinkley.

Prof. Virgil A. Pinkley of the National school of elocution and oratory, of Philadelphia, Pa., will give an elecutionary entertainment for the benefit of the Universalist society, in the audience room of the church on Thursday evening, December 30. Admission 25 cents. Reserved seats 35 cents.

PRESS COMMENTS.

Prof. Virgil A. Pinkley, of Philadelphia, is a most popular and thoroughly trained elocutionist. His fame as a public reader and instructor in his art, is rapidly spreading in the West. His future looks bright indeed. —*Indiana School Journal.*

His impersonations of the dying sailor was fine. In the recitation of the "Wonderful Hatchet Story," if the hatchet part wasn't wonderful, the man who recited it was. But the selection which most took hold of the risibilities was "Songs of the Night," during the rendition of which the audience fairly re-echoed with laughter.—*Urbana News.* 25td

Affleck.

Rev. Wm. Affleck lectured at the opera house last night, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. The severe cold, and other entertainments, prevented a large attendance, but those present passed a pleasant and profitable hour. The speaker has a pleasant delivery, although his tone has something of a nasal twang, and his pronunciation was strongly marked by the Cornish accent. So singular and quaint were his ideas, and so forcably were they expressed that he did not fail to gratify and please.

J. W. BAKER'S

BULLETIN.

NO. 18 EAST MAIN S.. POWERS' OLD STAN

Get what you pay for, and pay for what you get.

SLIPPERS.

An excellent present for the Holidays. See my stock an prices before purchasing. J. W. BAKER.

REMEMBER:—I have engaged a first class shoemaker, and am now prepared to make boots and shoes to measure, and guarantee perfect fits. All kind of reparing done promptly.

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TWENTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS

Worth of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry for the Holidays.

The above stock we have lately purchased at 67 cents on the dollar, and will give our customers the benefit of the bargain. The stock consists of the most elegant and varied assortment of Watches, Jewelry, &c., admirably adapted for Christmas or New Year's presents. The goods *must* be sold by the *First of January.* In order to accomplish this end we will offer them at prices that defy competition. EVERY ONE is cordially invited to call at the store and ascertain the truth of the above statements and we are assured that they will not leave unsatisfied, either in price or style of articles.

OBSERVE OUR LATEST PRICES.

A fine Ladies' Gold Watch	$18 00
Twenty different styles of Ladies' Gold Watches from	$20 00 and Upwards,
A large assortment of Gentlemen's Gold Watches, Elgin, Waltham and Springfield movements	$30 00 and Upwards
The largest stock of Silver Watches in the city from	$7 00 and Upwards.
An Elegant Alarm Clock	$ 2 10

Also forty other styles of Clocks.

☞A large stock of Elegant Jewelry in accordance with the above prices.

In addition to the above mentioned immense stock, we have on hand a great variety of small musical instruments; violins, accordeons, harmonicas, etc., which will be closed out at BOTTOM FIGURES. "Goods well bought are half sold," is our motto. Before you buy call at the store,

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The only responsible Jeweler in the city.

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Is the place where you can buy at reasonable prices the J. P. Clabrough breech loader, the Wm. Goodyer breech loader, the Baker breech loader, and several other makes, all celebrated guns, I do not brag on my guns, but guarantee satisfaction to everybody who buys of me. Nickle plated 7 shooter revolver from $1 upwards. Give me a call. d&w1w

Ladies

will find a most complete assortment of ribbons, gloves, ties corsets and fancy notions, at the lowest prices, at the
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Of the city, have the Largest and most complete assortment of GOLD and SILVER

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Do not fail to see this stock before you buy anything in th line.

Furnishing Goods.

LADIES

AND

GENTLEMEN!

Our Stock in all Departments is very large and the season being somewhat advanced we propose to make some portions thereof Move Quickly In fact, considering that it is late in the season, we are overstocked and offer you Extraordinary bargains! All our goods are in every way desirable, but we call your attention more particularly to our Elegant line of

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Cloaks,
Circulars,
Childrens Cloaks,
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Crochet Goods
Skirts
Men's Shirts,
Ladie's and Men's
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All the goods here enumerated and in fact, all Woolen goods of every description will to-day be placed on sale at a reduction of

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